Amer dments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) An optical head comprising:

a single laser source of beams at an input end and image forming beams at an output

end; and

a plurality of optical components along said beams between the input and output ends

to obtain an image on a photosensitive printing plate from the beams, wherein the optical

components include reflecting surfaces adapted to fold the beams a plurality of times

between the input and output ends such that the folded beams are located in a plurality of

parallel surfaces perpendicular to the image formed on the photosensitive printing plate; and

a lens to adjust the spatial pos tion of the image from the beams.

2. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the laser source comprises a laser bar

or a laser diode having a plurality of emitters.

3. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a modulator cooperatively

arranged with the laser source to produce an image.

4. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a total internal reflection

modulator.

5. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a modulator having one or

more drivers.

6. (original) The optical head of Claim 5, wherein the modulator drivers are directly

attached to a crystal of the modulator.

7. (original) The optical head of Claim 6, wherein the crystal is a total reflection crystal

having at least one prismatic edge acapted to deviate the beams by 90 degrees.

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- 8. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising an optical mixer adapted to equalize the beams from the laser source.
- 9. (currently amended) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical components further comprise a first an optical arrangement adapted to shape and direct the beams from the laser source to an optical mixer.
- 10. (currently amended) The optical head of Claim 9, wherein the first optical arrangement comprises a first lens, a second lens a third lens, a half-wave blade and a polarizing mirror.
- 11. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a first group of reflecting surfaces adapted to fold the beams from the laser source such that the size of the optical head can be reduced.
- 12. (currently amended) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical components further comprise a second an optical arrangement adapted to focalize and direct the beams from the laser source emerging from an optical mixer to a modulator.
 - 13. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a second group of reflecting surfaces adapted to fold the beams from the laser source such that the size of the optical head can be reduced.
 - 14. (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a stop element adapted to eliminate the beams from the laser source of a higher diffraction order.
 - 15. (original) The optical head of Claim 1 further comprising a lens adapted to focalize the beams from the laser source emerging from a modulator to a stop element.

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- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising an imaging objective 16. assembly adapted to focus the beams from the laser source emerging from a stop element onto the photosensitive printing plate such that an image is formed on the photosensitive printing plate.
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, further comprising a spherical lens and a stop 17. element, wherein the height of the image can be adjusted by changing the distance between the spherical lens and the stop element.
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical components are located in 18. substantially the same plane.
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical head is adapted to produce 19. 256 pixels of imagewise laser light
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical head is adapted to project 20. an image of the active zone of the medulator containing a plurality of pixels.
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical head is adapted to receive 21. a signal to time the projection of the mage.
- 22. (cancelled)
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical head further comprises a 23. lens to adjust the orientation of the irange from the beams.
- (original) The optical head of Claim 1, wherein the optical head further comprises a 24. lens to adjust the intensity of the image from the beams.

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